

INTRODUCTION

This booklet contains the “license law” relating to registered charitable organizations, professional fund-raisers and fund-raising counsel in Wisconsin. It contains selected sections from the Wisconsin statutes and the administrative code of the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

The Secretary of the Department utilizes ad hoc advisory committees to assist the Department in developing policies and procedures relating to this regulation. Some members of a department-wide advisory committee also assist the Department in screening complaints against registrants and in advising the Division of Enforcement concerning the investigation and prosecution of complaints.

The Department of Regulation and Licensing is an umbrella agency which directly regulates some occupations and professions and which provides administrative services to various professional boards. Within the Department, the Bureau of Direct Licensing and Real Estate, provides administrative services relating to the Charitable Solicitations Law.

Questions about the regulation of charitable organizations, professional fund-raisers and fund-raising counsel may be directed to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Bureau of Direct Licensing and Real Estate, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935.

The development of the law in this area is ongoing. Therefore, these rules and statutes may be revised subsequent to the printing of this book. Most local libraries maintain current sets of Wisconsin Administrative Code and the Wisconsin Statutes. These documents as well as other state publications are available from the Department of Administration, Document Sales Division, PO Box 7840, Madison, WI 53707.

All Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Codes are available on the Internet at the following addresses:

Statutes: <http://www..legis.state.wi.us/rsb/statutes.litml>

Rules: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/code/codtoc.html>